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This paper is a request for a continuation under 37 CFR §1.53(d) of:

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Title: METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR TREATING AND PREVENTING
INFLAMMATION OF MUCOSAL TISSUE

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Prior U.S. application no: 09/500,115
Filing Date: February 8, 2000

The prior application was complete as defined by 37 CFR §1.51(b), or was a national stage of an international application filed in compliance with 35 USC §371.

This request for a CPA is the reference to the prior application noted above as required by 35 USC §120. Kindly abandon the prior application in favor of the continued proceedings that are requested herein.

Kindly enter the unentered information disclosure statement, which was previously filed on October 2, 2002, but was not entered in the prior prosecution of this case.

The prior application is assigned of record to Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research, a Minnesota corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on June 14, 2002 at 013000/0320.

This request includes 2 sheets.

Attachments:

— Copy of PTO-1449 (2 pages)

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The entire disclosure of the prior application is part of this application and is incorporated by reference.

Basic filing fee	\$370
Total claims in excess of 20 times \$9	\$0
Independent claims in excess of 3 times \$42	\$0
Fee for multiple dependent claims	\$0
Total filing fee:	\$370

Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to apply the basic filing fee any other required fees or any credits to deposit account 06-1050, referencing the attorney docket number shown above.

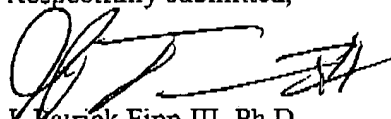
If this application is found to be incomplete, or if a telephone conference would otherwise be helpful, please call the undersigned at (612) 335-5070.

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